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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

- ☒ Preliminary Amendment/Response to Restriction Requirement
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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Respectfully submitted,  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 26, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add new claim 35 as follows:

35. (New) An apparatus for blending additives for incorporation in an asphalt, said apparatus including:

means for feeding one or more of said additives into a receptacle;

means for weighing each additive to achieve a desired proportion thereof in a desired total amount of said additives;

means for mixing said additives in said receptacle into a blend; and

means for transferring said blend from said receptacle for delivery to an asphalt mixing box.

REMARKS

Claims 1-35 are pending. By this amendment, new claim 35 is added.